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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 146

Introduced by Assembly Member Gorell

January 18, 2013

An act *to add Section 7073.7 to the Government Code*, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 146, as amended, Gorell. Economic development: enterprise zones: ~~City of Oxnard~~. *joint application.*

The Enterprise Zone Act authorizes the designation of certain depressed areas in this state as enterprise zones for purposes of providing specific economic incentives within those areas, *upon application by a city, county, or city and county.*

This bill, *notwithstanding any other provision of the act*, would ~~declare the intent of the Legislature to establish a new enterprise zone for~~ authorize the City of Oxnard, ~~in partnership with the City of Port Hueneme, and the Oxnard Harbor District to jointly apply for~~ *jointly apply for designation as an enterprise zone, as specified.*

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the cities of Oxnard and Port Hueneme and the Oxnard Harbor District.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. ~~(a)~~—The Legislature finds and declares that the
2 partnerships established between the City of Oxnard, the City of
3 Port Hueneme, and the Oxnard Harbor District reflect the local
4 community’s shared goal of alleviating their higher-than-average
5 unemployment and poverty, and the establishment of an enterprise
6 zone will create new opportunities for local workers and jump-start
7 economic growth by promoting new business and jobs. The
8 Legislature further finds and declares that with an enterprise zone
9 designation, the partnership between these entities will allow
10 greater resources and marketing potential to drive local economic
11 activity.

12 ~~(b) Therefore, it is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~
13 ~~legislation that would establish a new enterprise zone designation~~
14 ~~for the City of Oxnard.~~

15 SEC. 2. *Section 7073.7 is added to the Government Code, to*
16 *read:*

17 7073.7. *(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this*
18 *chapter, the City of Oxnard, the City of Port Hueneme, and the*
19 *Oxnard Harbor District may jointly submit an application to the*
20 *department for designation as an enterprise zone.*

21 *(b) Unless otherwise agreed to by the applicants and the*
22 *department, the Oxnard City Council shall serve as the governing*
23 *body for the enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.*

24 SEC. 3. *The Legislature finds and declares that a special law*
25 *is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable*
26 *within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California*
27 *Constitution because of the unique collaborative economic*
28 *relationship between the City of Oxnard, the City of Port Hueneme*
29 *and the Oxnard Harbor District.*